## **AGENCY STRATEGIC PLAN**

#### FOR THE FISCAL YEARS

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#### ARKANSAS BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN COUNSELING

FUNCTIONAL AREA: HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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## STRATEGIC PLAN

Agency Name	Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling
Agency Mission Statement	:
To protect the citizens of Ark provided to the public.	ansas and to ensure quality of counseling services being

#### **AGENCY GOAL 1:**

To regulate the practice of Counseling/Psychotherapy or Marriage and Family Therapy in the State of Arkansas.

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Agency Name	Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling	
Program	Arkansas Board of Examiners in Counseling Operations	
Program Authorization	ACA 17-27-101 et. seq.	
Program Definition:	The State Board of Examiners in Counseling Operations provides the staff support for carrying out the duties of the	
Funds-Center Code: A82	Arkansas State Board of Examiners in Counseling. Those duties include:	
	Examination of all transcripts and training and administering written examinations four times a year and oral examinations monthly;	
AGENCY GOAL(S) # 1	Grant licenses to those who pass the examinations and otherwise qualify;	
	<ol> <li>Determine whether those who apply for a license to practice qualify;</li> </ol>	
	<ol> <li>Biennially renew all the license to practice and issue a renewal certificate. Register all who are licensed.;</li> </ol>	
	<ol> <li>Investigate violations of the Counseling and Marriage and Family Therapist Act and take disciplinary action where appropriate after conducting a hearing;</li> </ol>	
	<ol> <li>Monitor mandatory continuing education requirements and the required supervision of new counselors;</li> </ol>	
	7) Administer a Quality Review Program.	
Anticipated Funding Sources for the Program:	Cash Funds	

#### GOAL 1: (Sub-Funds Center Code: A82GOAL1)

To administer the necessary written and oral examinations; certify, license and publish names of individuals who meet requirements to practice private Counseling and Marriage and Family Therapy; and to protect the public from illegal, incompetent, unethical and unprofessional practitioners.

#### OBJECTIVE 1: (Sub-Funds Center Code: <u>A82G10BJ1</u>)

To ensure that all candidates and practitioners of private counseling are appropriately qualified and that complaints of illegal or inappropriate practices are resolved in a timely manner.

#### STRATEGY 1: (Sub-Funds Center Code: <u>A82A</u>)

The Board will maintain one office to provide the necessary staff support to meet its objective.